

North Carolina State EOC Activates for TS Hanna

The North Carolina State Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and State Emergency Response Team (SERT) activated for 5 days in response to Tropical Storm Hanna. During the event: 46 County EOC opened, 40 Counties declared State of Emergencies, there were 61,013 power outages, there were 39 road & 4 bridge closures, 25 shelters opened which took in 1,896 people.

For more information, contact Cory Grier at (919) 733-3824 or cgrier@ncem.org.



North Carolina Becomes Lead State for EMAC Operations

North Carolina is now the lead state for Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) Operations in the United States. North Carolina holds the position of chairman to the executive task force committee. In this position, North Carolina takes the lead in operational calls concerning EMAC requests from States during times of emergencies. As of 9-11-08 we are actively supporting the State of Texas activation for Hurricane Ike and continue to support Louisiana for Hurricane Gustav. The National Coordination Group (NCG) is holding regular conference calls with impacted States, FEMA Region IV, FEMA HQ and the executive Task Force to keep everyone updated and locate assets if necessary.

For More Information: Carolyn Freitag at (919) 715-9213 or Cfreitag@ncem.org



Training & Exercise courses are still available to take.

There are still empty seats available for students to sign up for needed courses. These courses are local and state sponsored. Courses open include many ICS series classes, EOC Management and Operation, Damage Assessment, Resource Management and many, many others. Course description and instructions on how to register are included for each course.

For More Information: <http://www.nccrimecontrol.org/Index2.cfm?a=000003,000010,000027,000220>

Chris Call at (919) 715-6360 or Ccall@ncem.org

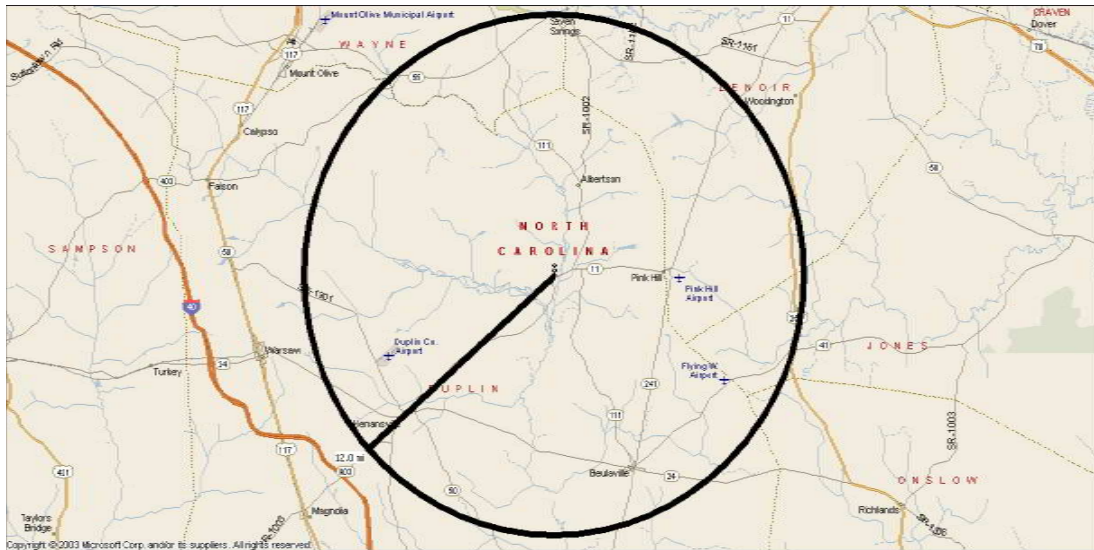
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VIPER Site Activations

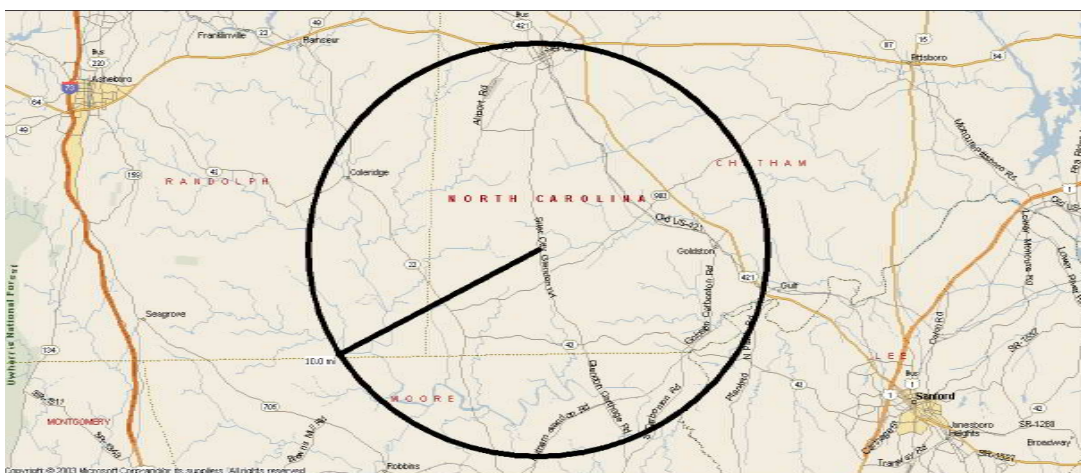
Voice Interoperability Plan for Emergency Responders (VIPER) is a way for first responders and public safety officials to communicate with one another on a single radio system. When in place, interoperable communications will benefit all public safety agencies when dealing with daily emergency calls and large scale disasters. For more information on VIPER, contact Captain Alan Melvin, NC State Highway Patrol at (919) 662-4440 or amelvin@ncshp.org

The following VIPER sites have been established and are now operational:

<u>Location (City/County)</u>	<u>Date Activated</u>	<u>VIPER Site Made Possible Through</u>
Kornegay / Duplin County	September 4, 2008	Partnership with Duplin County & Progress Energy.

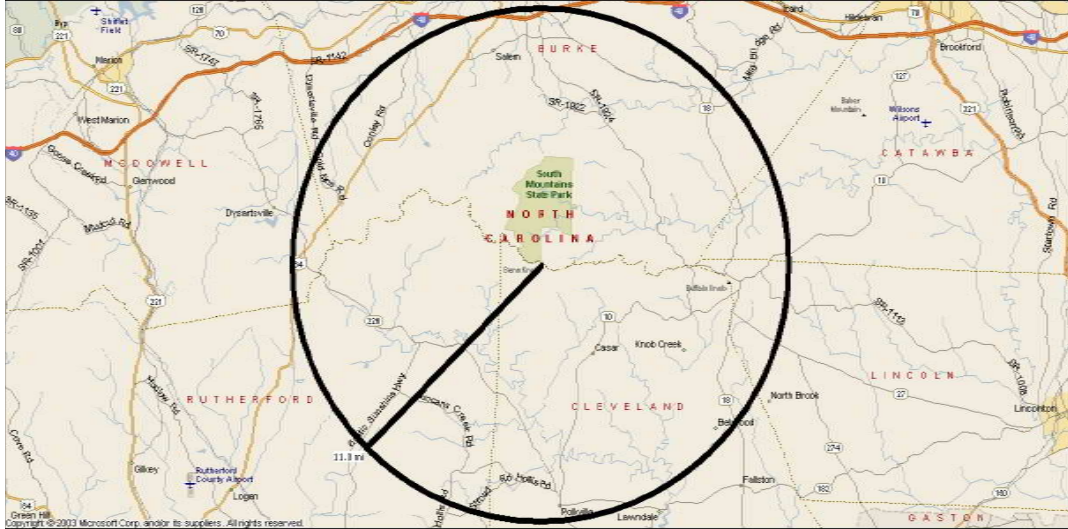


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Siler City / Chatham County	September 4, 2008	Chatham County.



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Ben's Knob / Cleveland County	September 4, 2008	Partnership with Cleveland County & Rutherford EMC.



Note: maps are not exact and are to be used as general reference.

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-Special Mentioning-

Robin Brown joins NCEM as a EM Officer

Robin Brown joins North Carolina Emergency Management as a Operations Center Emergency Management Officer. Robin comes to us from Nash County where she worked in the 911 center for approximately 7 years. Robin has a four year degree in Emergency Management and a four year degree in Public Safety. Robin can be reached at the rbrown@ncem.org.

Sharon Winstead joins NCEM's Logistics Section.

Sharon Winstead is a new planner in the Logistics Section of North Carolina Emergency Management. Sharon's daily duties include the upkeep of the State's disaster contracts, County Receiving Distribution Point data and POD data. During activation, Sharon will be responsible for dissemination of logistics situational information and push planning. Sharon joins us after retiring from Durham where she had many years of experience in contracts, purchasing and emergency management. Sharon can be reached at (919) 715-9214 or Swinstead@ncem.org.

Aaron Deese Is The New Warehouse Manager.

Aaron Deese is the warehouse manager for the Badin Logistics Support Center in Stanly County. Aaron's responsibilities include managing day-to-day operations at the Western warehouse and running the Eastern warehouse during disaster activations. Aaron can be reached at (704) 982-1771 or Adeese@ncem.org.

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